DOUGLAS COUNTY HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY
OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM

HISTORICAL NAME: Neil J. Cornwall / Lifesaving Station Dock

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1876

COMMON NAME: First Cornwall House

ORIGINAL USE: Residence / lumber tally station

ADDRESS: 582 Front Street

PRESENT USE: Residence

CITY: Gardiner, OR 97441

ARCHITECT:

OWNER: George and Lacalyn Degman

BUILDER: Joseph Roberts

THEME: Early Seaport Community

STYLE: Vernacular; Gothic Revival

BLOCK: 2

LOT: 3 & 4 **QUAD:**

PROPERTY I.D. NO.: R64149

MAP NO.: T21S, R12W, SEC. 22DC, TL 900

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: Rectangular

NO. OF STORIES: 1 1/2

FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Post and pier

BASEMENT (Y/N): N

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

STRUCTURAL FRAME: Wood

ROOF FORM AND MATERIALS: Gable; composite shingle

PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: 1/1 double hung sash (second floor)

OTHER:

CONDITION: **GOOD** ✓ **FAIR**____ **POOR**____ **MOVED**____ **DATE**____

EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS (DATE): Removal of the full-width entry porch on the west elevation along with the chimney. Entry porch on the north elevation was added with a one-story hipped roof.

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES:

KNOWN ARCHEOLOGICAL FEATURES:

SETTING: This house sits on an elevated corner lot near the center of residential Gardiner, one block east of Highway 101.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY): The Cornwall house was one of the few houses that survived the 1880 fire and the fire of 1911.

Joseph and Hannah (Wells) Roberts purchased Lot 4 in December of 1875. There was a house on the lot when, in 1876, the property was sold to Neil J. Cornwall by N.C. and Anna Larsen. Neil Cornwall owned the house from 1884-1900. Captain Cornwall operated the stage and delivered mail by stage line between Winchester Bay and Empire. He was also the captain of the steamboat Eva. The Eva operated between Gardiner, east Gardiner and Scottsburg until the road was completed in the 1920's. Neil Cornwall was the son of Rev. Cornwall. The Cornwall family were members of the immigrant party traveling over the Old South Road with the 1846 Scott-Applegate Wagon Train.

William Anderson purchased the Cornwall Residence and Lot 4 in 1900. Both William and his wife Eva were born in Sweden. William was a member of the original life-saving crew on the coast of Oregon. He died the night of the Gardiner Fire of January 16, 1911. The house was used as a refuge for other residents who experienced total loss of their homes.

SOURCES CONSULTED: Young, Ella Mae. "Gardiner, Douglas County, Oregon: A historic district surveyed." Roseburg, OR: Douglas County Museum, 1993.

Cultural and Historic Resources Inventory for Historical and Archaeological Resources for the Oregon Coast. September 1974, vol. 4.

RECORDED BY: Chuck Perino

DATE: September 1, 2002

INITIAL INVENTORY: Lauren Lezell

DATE: August 8, 1989

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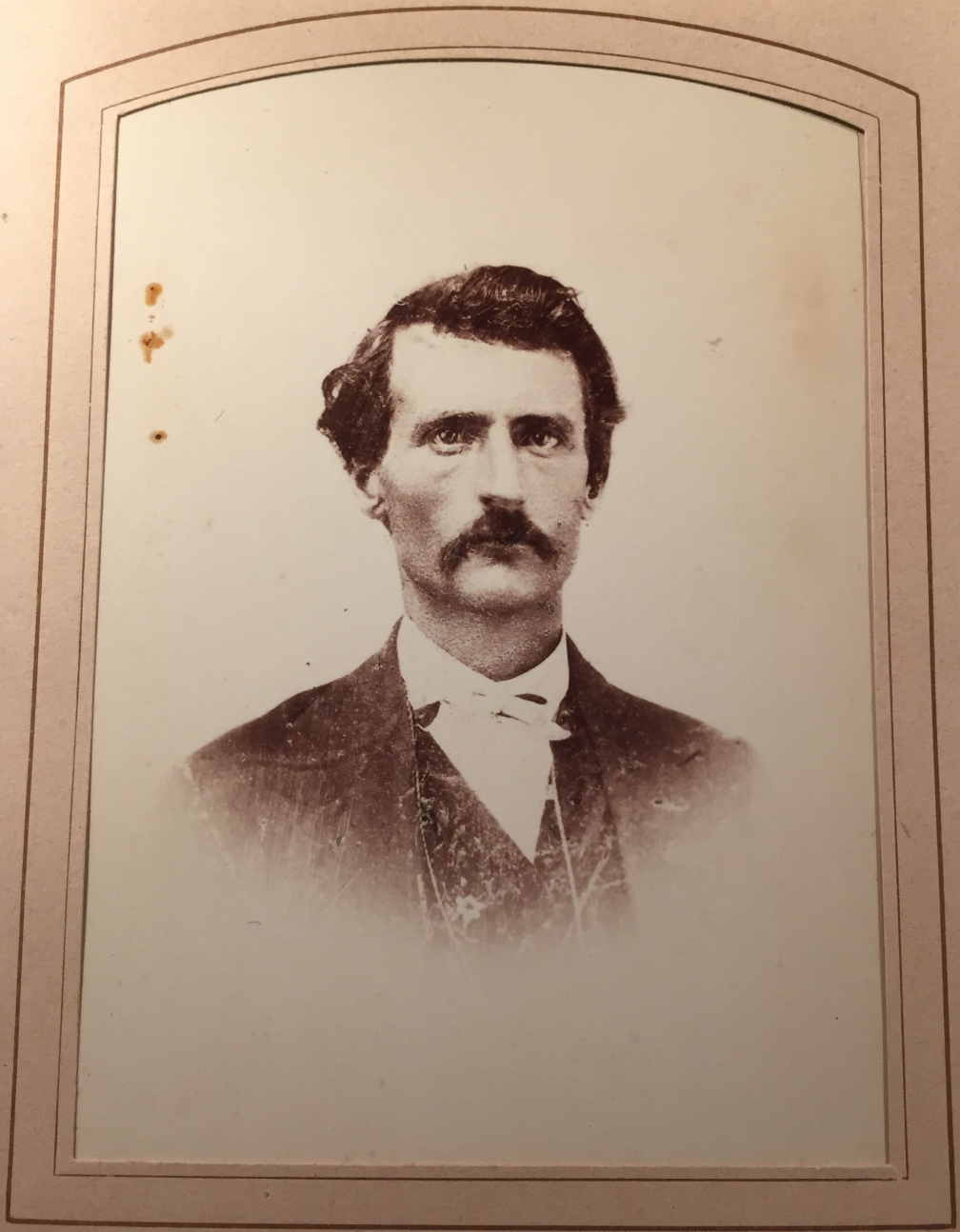

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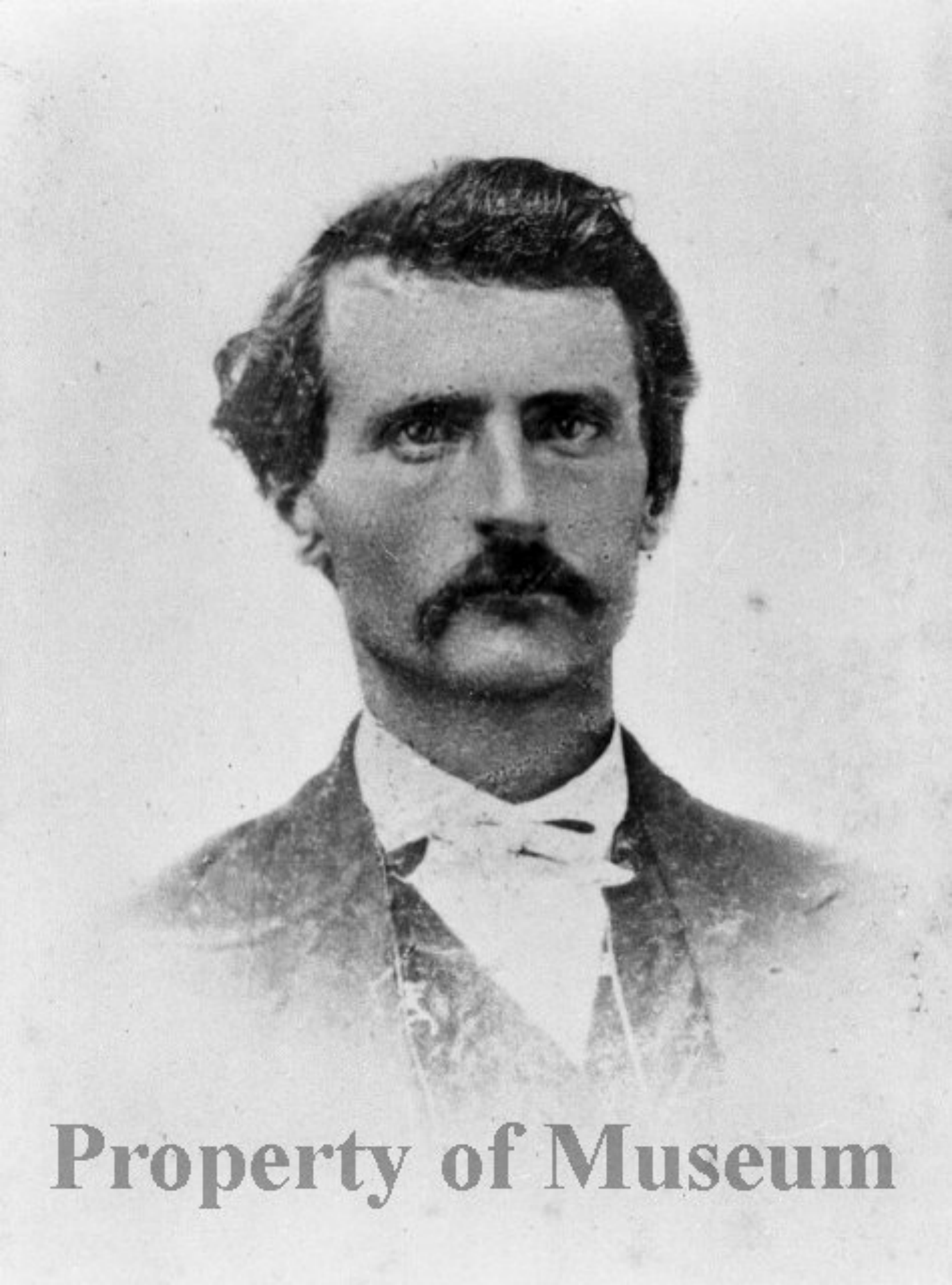

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QUADRANGLE:

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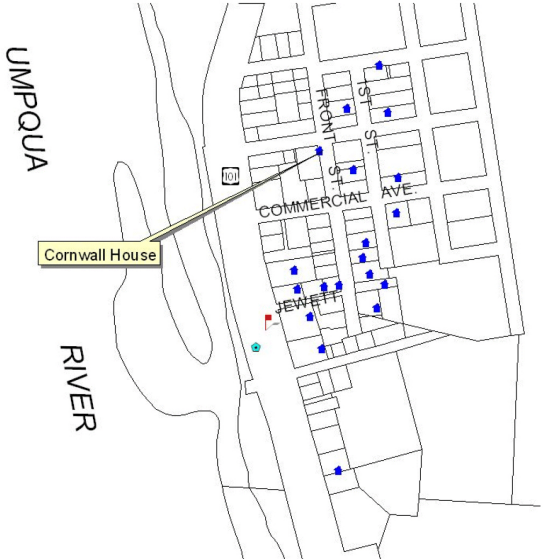

Hannah *Wells* Roberts

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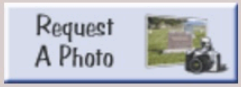
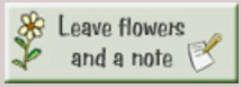
Douglas County
Oregon, USA

Death: Jun. 26, 1897
Elkton
Douglas County
Oregon, USA





Family links:

Parents:
Ira Wells (1814 - 1892)
Anna Elizabeth *Mandler* Wells (1822 - 1904)

Spouse:
Joseph Roberts (1835 - ____)*

Siblings:
Flora Wells (1846 - 1847)*
Carolyn Elizabeth *Wells* Hawley (1848 - 1920)*
Darius Wells (1849 - 1930)*
Susannah *Wells* Carr (1850 - 1871)*
Esther *Wells* Smith (1852 - 1937)*
Hannah *Wells* Roberts (1853 - 1897)
Flora Wells (1855 - 1925)*
Louisa Matilda Wells (1858 - 1882)*
Francis Franklin Wells (1859 - 1931)*
Mary Townsend Wells (1863 - 1948)*
George Otto Wells (1865 - 1876)*

*Calculated relationship

Burial:
Wells Cemetery
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Douglas County
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Joseph Roberts

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Birth: 1835, Scotland
Death: unknown

Family links:
Spouse:
Hannah *Wells* Roberts (1853 - 1897)

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